

2015 YOUTH TURKEY HUNT
EASTERN NECK NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE
Department of the Interior - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Application Instructions:

1. Only youths ages 10 through 15 on the day of the hunt who were not chosen for previous youth turkey hunts are eligible.
2. All interested applicants must complete a Big Game Hunt application form. Applicants must complete all boxes in sections 3, 6, 8a, and 9. In Section 6, please indicate your first and second choice for your hunt date – April 11 or April 18, 2015.
3. Both the applicant and the applicant's guardian must sign the application.
4. Write Youth Hunt on the outside of the envelope.
5. Completed applications for permits must be postmarked no later than **April 2, 2015**. Mail to Eastern Neck National Wildlife Refuge, 1730 Eastern Neck Road, Rock Hall, MD 21661. Completed applications may be dropped off no later than **April 2, 2015 at 4:00 pm** at the Eastern Neck National Wildlife Refuge Office at 1730 Eastern Neck Road, Rock Hall, MD 21661. Or completed applications will be accepted by email no later than **April 2, 2015**, to ENYouthHunt@gmail.com.

Information/Regulations:

1. The drawing to select youth hunters will be held on Monday afternoon, **April 6, 2015**, and all successful applicants will be notified by telephone on April 7, 2015.
2. Eastern Neck NWR Youth Turkey Hunt permits are non-transferable.
3. The Eastern Neck NWR Youth Turkey Hunt permit is valid only when stamped by refuge staff.
4. All selected youths must attend a mandatory safety briefing on April 10th. The briefing will be held at 6:00 p.m. at the Refuge office/ headquarters. Youth hunters must present their valid hunting license at the briefing. Contact 410-639-7056 if you have any questions.
5. Scouting dates are April 10 and April 17, 2015 from 7:30 am to ½ hour after sunset. All hunters must be accompanied by an adult 18 years or older with valid state identification on their person during scouting hours.
6. Youth hunters must possess a valid hunting license and carry the license with them on the day of the hunt.
7. Youths (ages 10 through 15 years of age as of their hunt date) must be accompanied by a licensed, non-gun carrying adult from the Wild Turkey Federation. The local Wild Turkey Federation will provide a guide for all youths selected. Youths may also be accompanied by a non-gun carrying parent or guardian.

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8. All hunt participants must wear a minimum of solid fluorescent orange hat or cap when walking to or from their hunting position.
9. Legal hunting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to 12 noon.
Sunrise April 11, 2015: 6:35 a.m. Sunrise April 18, 2015: 6:24 a.m.
10. Loaded weapons are not permitted in parking areas or on paved or graveled roads.
11. Hunting of turkey is permitted only in designated areas of the refuge. See 2015 Turkey Hunt map. Map maybe issued at Safety Briefing on April 10, 2015.
12. Bag limit will be one bearded turkey.
13. All other Maryland State rules and regulations related to the state's spring turkey season are applicable and will be enforced during the special hunt on Eastern Neck National Wildlife Refuge.
14. Contact 410-639-7056 x228 if you have any questions.